# Statewide Long-Range Multimodal Transportation Plan Policy Committee Meeting

# April 17, 2003 Northern Virginia District Office

## Meeting Summary

Ms. Julia Connally welcomed all and began the meeting at 12:45.

There were no public comments.

The March meeting minutes were approved.

Ms. Mary Lynn Tischer provided a review of *VTrans2025* products. Provided with the products was a short description of each and dates by which the product will be delivered and action taken, if appropriate. It was noted that there is still confusion as to some of the terminology used in materials presented and of what the Policy Committee is being asked to do and is responsible for. Please provide additional comments regarding the plan products to Ms. Kathy Graham and they will be forwarded to Ms. Tischer for incorporation as the list of products and schedule will continually be updated and revised.

Mr. Ralph Davis presented information regarding the **coordination of modal plans**. Mr. Davis explained the planning process for *VTRANS2025*, and how it will be integrated into the planning processes for each modal agency.

Each modal agency has or will develop needs assessments, which feed into the modal plans where projects will be prioritized before being included in the Six-Year Program. DOAV and VPA have completed their needs assessments and plans. VDOT and VDRPT are conducting their needs assessments, to be completed in December 2003. The Statewide Multimodal Needs Assessment is comprised of all the individual modal needs assessments. From this list of needs, a number of multimodal networks and intermodal connections will be identified such as the 3rd Crossing, the 460 Corridor, etc. The VTRANS2025 Policy Committee will work with the Technical Committee to develop prioritization criteria for the multimodal networks and intermodal connections identified in VTrans2025. The identified networks will then be prioritized and included in the final VTrans2025 report as recommendations. The prioritization criteria developed for VTrans2025 will be incorporated into the criteria used to prioritize other modal Six-Year programs.

Members of the *VTRANS2025* technical committee are coordinating with VDOT's Transportation and Mobility Planning Division as staff develops the prioritization criteria for the State Highway Plan to ensure continuity, as directed by the APA recommendations.

Ms. Tischer led a discussion of the **plan framework**, which includes goals, objectives and prioritization criteria. There was considerable debate about the goals as presented, specifically whether they were unique to a multimodal plan, whether they are broad enough, and whether they promote the optimal use of the future transportation system.

The discussion of **governance issues** will be continued to the May meeting.

### Committee Members Present

Julia Connally
Ralph Davis
Hunter Watson
Harry Lester
Gerald McCarthy
Robert Bray
Charles Macfarlane
Karen Rae
Philip Shucet
William Kehoe (by phone)

#### Others Present

Kathy Graham
Kim Spence
Mary Lynn Tischer
George Conner
Jim Bland
Jeff Florin
Ken Lantz
Kevin Page
Connie Sorrell
Chip Badger